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1. The Harbin Sungchiang Machine Works is in a two-storied building on the corner of Bolshoi Prospect and Ashihe Street, Harbin. The machine works was formerly owned by the Churin Company but is now under the control of and operated by the Chinese Communist Government.
2. The director and deputy-director of the factory and all the section heads are Chinese. The deputy-director has been acting director since the imprisonment of the director in Harbin in late 1953 for undetermined reasons. There are approximately 35 engineers and technicians from the USSR to advise and assist the director and his staff. The factory has the following sections: lathe, machine assembly, foundry, forge, boiler, drafting, administrative, and electrical motor repair sections. See enclosures A and B for the location of these sections as well as the clinic and auditorium.
3. The machine works has approximately 450 employees, all of whom work daily except Sunday. There are two work shifts. About one-half the employees work from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and the rest from 3:30 p.m. to midnight, with all receiving one-half hour for lunch. Salaries in Harbin are reckoned in wage units, each wage unit equalling JMP 2,000. They are paid in JMP; and salaries at the machine works range from JMP 800,000 to JMP 1,200,000 a month for ordinary employees, depending on their technical knowledge and experience. Foremen receive JMP 1,300,000 a month. The salaries of section heads are slightly higher.
4. The lathe section of the machine works has about 200 workers, divided into two shifts. It has about 85 machines including the following:

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- a. About 50 lathes, all produced in Germany by the Carl Shlieper Company. All arrived in Manchuria in 1940, the last shipment of machines from Germany to Manchuria during the Japanese occupation of that area.
- b. About 10 fraises.
- c. About 10 planing machines.
- d. About 15 boring mills.

All the equipment in the lathe section is in good condition. It is checked weekly and overhauled completely every two years.

- 5. There are approximately 100 men employed in the machine assembly section. They are divided into two work shifts.
- 6. In early 1953 the foundry section was moved to a site on Police Street, Harbin, near the Sungari River, because of insufficient space at the original location.
- 7. The forge section has an undetermined number of electrical hammers.
- 8. The electrical motor repair section handles the repair of electrical motors of the machine works only.
- 9. A large number of Chinese women are employed in the drafting section.
- 10. From about late 1950 to late 1953, the machine works was engaged almost exclusively in producing equipment for a new sugar factory, at Ch'enghaotzu (N 45-41, E 126-51), a short distance east of Harbin. Some of the equipment included several types of boilers. The sugar factory, which began to operate about December 1953, also received some of its heavy equipment from the USSR and East Germany. This factory, as well as the sugar factory at Ach'eng (N 45-33, E 126-57), a few kilometers east of Ch'enghaotzu, produces sugar from beets which are grown in large quantities in areas in Manchuria not far from Harbin. After completing its work for the sugar factory at Ch'enghaotzu, the machine works began work on equipment for another sugar factory under construction in Manchuria.
- 11. Some of the steel used at the machine works is produced in the USSR, and the rest in factories at Anshan. All of the materials and spare parts required by the machine works are in ample supply.
- 12. At the entrance to the machine works there is an electrical power plant which supplies electricity only to the machine works. See enclosure A. The source of power is in the Kirin area.
- 13. All employees of the machine works must attend political indoctrination meetings, which take place at least twice weekly after working hours. The meetings last about two hours.

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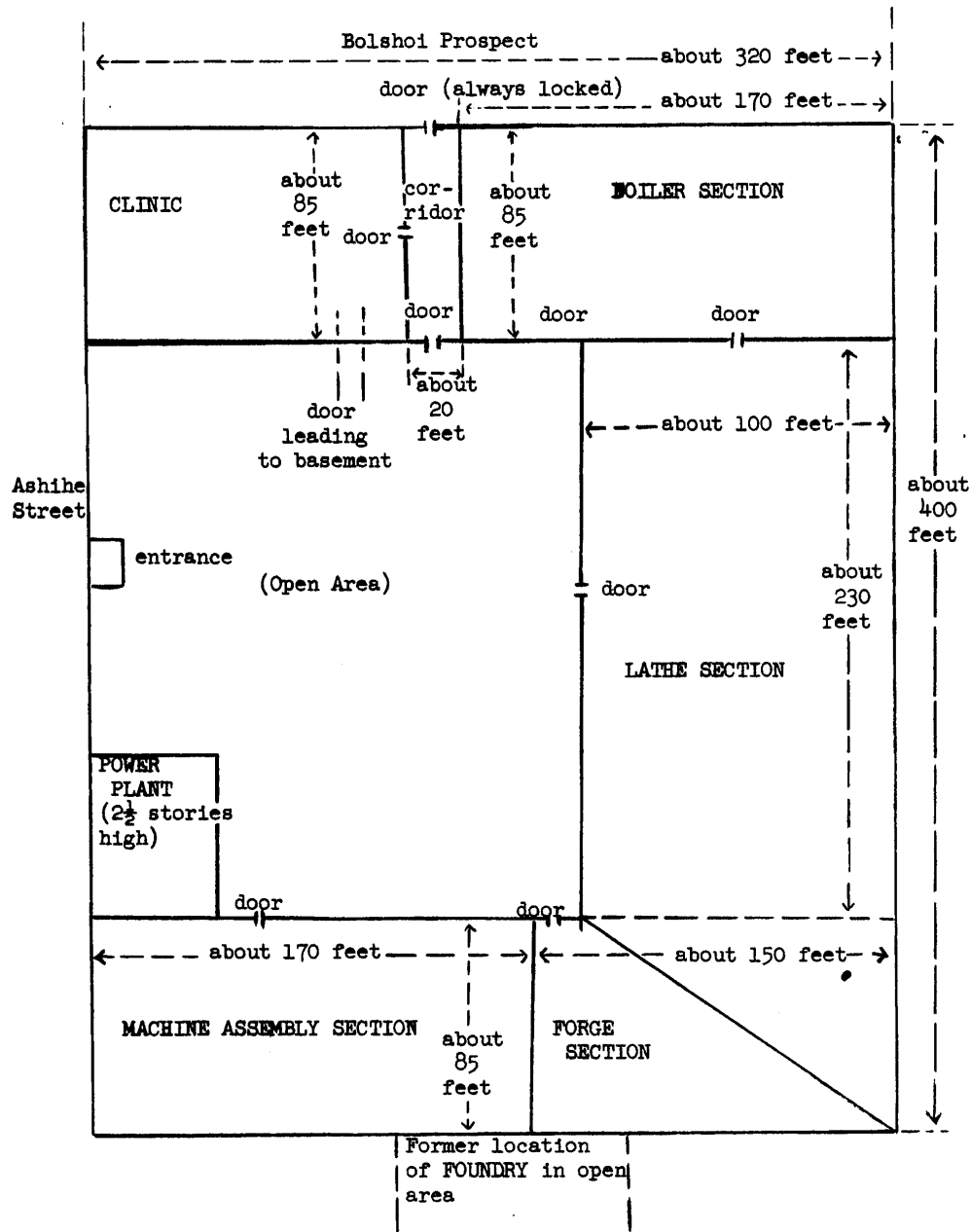
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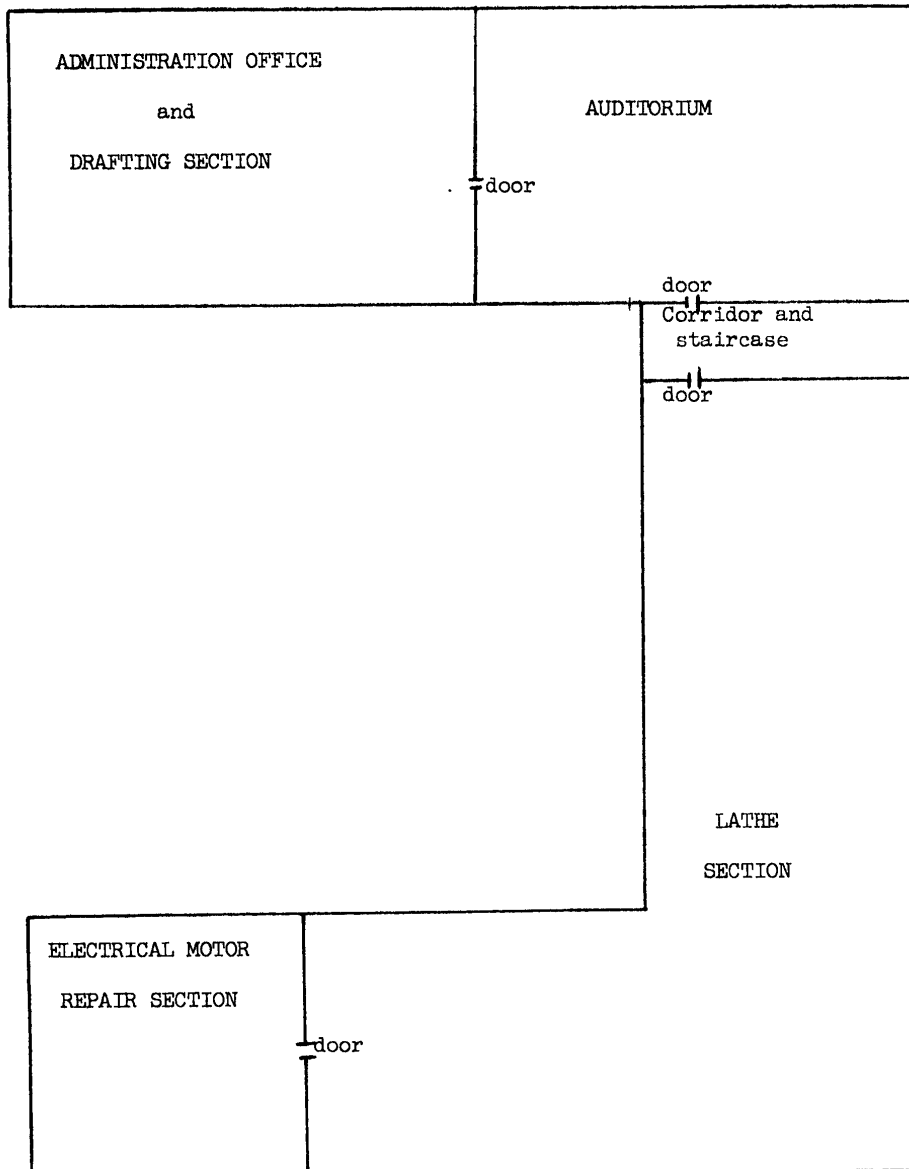
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Sketch of the Second Floor of the Harbin Sungchiang Machine Works



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